

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7433

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FOR AF/EX

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OGEN, AFSP

SUBJ: SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

REF: STATE "#7821 #

1. POST REALIZES THAT REFTEL SOUGHT PROMPT RESPONSE,  
AND APOLOGIZES FOR DELAY. HOWEVER, WE HAVE JUST COME  
UP WITH WHAT WE BELIEVE WOULD BE EXCELLENT AND USEFUL  
PROGRAM FOR SUMMER INTERN, AND SUBMIT IT IN HOPE THAT IT MAY NOT BE  
TOO LATE TO FIND QUALIFIED CANDIDATE.

2. PRINCIPAL INTEREST OF USG IN GABON IS ECONOMIC/  
COMMERCIAL, BUT EMBASSY HAS ONLY ONE ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL  
OFFICER WHO IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSULAR WORK. THUS,  
HE SIMPLY DOES NOT HAVE TIME TO MAKE EXTENSIVE CALLS  
AND TRY TO SELL AMERICAN PRODUCTS. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE  
VERY VALUABLE TO POST TO HAVE INTERN FOR FEW MONTHS  
WHO COULD MAKE MARKETING SURVEY. INTERN WOULD CALL ON LOCAL  
BUSINESSMEN, FIND OUT WHAT THEIR PRINCIPAL SOURCES  
OF PRODUCTS ARE, DETERMINE IF THEY WOULD BE INTERESTED  
IN AMERICAN SUPPLIES, EXPLAIN HOW US EMBASSY CAN PUT  
THEM IN TOUCH WITH FIRMS THROUGH TOPS PROGRAM, AND  
FINALLY COMPLETE A REPORT ON AREAS MOST PROMISING FOR  
INCREMENTAL US SALES. BELIEVE THIS ESPECIALLY VALUABLE  
AT THIS TIME SINCE GABON LIKE REST OF UDEAC HAS JUST  
REMOVED REVERSE PREFERENCES AND SAME TARIFFS NOW APPLY  
TO AMERICAN GOODS AS ON GOODS COMING FROM EEC, AND AMERICAN PRODUCTS  
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ARE THUS MORE COMPETITIVE.

3. FRENCH LANGUAGE CAPABILITY ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL  
FOR CANDIDATE. IDEAL CANDIDATE WOULD HAVE EITHER MARKETING,  
GENERAL BUSINESS, OR ECONOMIC BACKGROUND, OR COMMERCIAL  
EXPERIENCE, BUT SOMEONE WITHOUT THIS BACKGROUND AND WITH  
FRENCH AND INTEREST IN SUBJECT WOULD BE POSSIBLE WHEREAS  
SOMEONE WITH RIGHT BACKGROUND BUT NO FRENCH WOULD NOT.  
CANDIDATE SHOULD BE EITHER SINGLE OR MARRIED WITHOUT  
CHILDREN AS HE WILL BE HOUSED IN FAIRLY SMALL EMBASSY  
TRANSIENT APARTMENT.

4. EMBASSY THANKS AF/EX FOR ITS ASSISTANCE. STEIGMAN

NOTE BY OC/T: #REFTEL NOT IDENTIFIED

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